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- (2) Ensure that requests for an advance decision that originate in their organizations are prepared and submitted in accordance with this part.
- (3) Pay claims as provided in a final action in accordance with this part.

## APPENDIX A TO PART 282—GUIDANCE

- (a) Submitting a claim. The procedures a claimant must follow to submit a claim are at Appendix C to this part.
- (b) *Processing a claim*. The procedures a DoD Component must follow in processing a claim are at Appendix D to this part. <sup>1</sup>
- (c) *Appeals*. The procedures for appealing initial determinations are at Appendix E to this part.
- (d) Disposition of claims upon settlement in general. (1) The appropriate official for the Component concerned shall pay a claim in accordance with the final action concerning the claim.
- (2) Where state law requires, a committee must be appointed for a minor or incompetent person in accordance with State law before payment may be made.
- (e) Requests for an advance decision. Procedures for requesting an advance decision under 31 U.S.C. 3529 concerning the propriety of a payment or voucher certification related to claims addressed in this part are at Appendix F to this part.
- (f) Publication. In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552, the Director, DOHA, or designee, shall make redacted copies of responses to requests for reconsideration and advance decisions by the GC, DoD, or designee, available for public inspection and copying at DOHA's public reading room and on the worldwide web.

## APPENDIX B TO PART 282—CLAIMS DESCRIPTION

The Secretary of Defense is authorized to perform the claims settlement and advance decision functions for claims under the following statutes:

(a) 31 U.S.C. 3702 concerning claims in general when there is no other settlement authority specifically provided for by law. <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Contact the appropriate non-DoD Component for the procedures it follows in processing a claim.

<sup>1</sup>This includes claims involving Uniformed Services members' pay, allowances, travel, transportation, payment for unused accrued leave, retired pay, and survivor benefits, and claims for refund by carriers for amounts collected from them for loss or damage to property they transported at Government expense; also included are other claims arising from the activity of a DoD Component. However, the Director of the Office of Per-

- (b) 10 U.S.C. 2575 concerning the disposition of unclaimed personal property on a military installation.
- (c) 10 U.S.C. 2771 concerning the final settlement of accounts of deceased members of the Armed Forces (but not the National Guard).<sup>2</sup>
- (d) 24 U.S.C. 420, 10 U.S.C. 4712, and 10 U.S.C. 9712 concerning the disposition of the effects of a deceased person who was subject to military law at a place or Command under the jurisdiction of the Army or the Air Force or of a deceased resident of the Armed Forces Retirement Home.
- (e) 37 U.S.C. 554 concerning the sale of personal property of members of the Uniformed Services who are in a missing status.
- (f) 32 U.S.C. 714 concerning the final settlement of accounts of deceased members of the National Guard.  $^3$

## APPENDIX C TO PART 282—SUBMITTING A CLAIM

- (a) Who May Submit a Claim. Any person ("claimant") may submit a claim who has a demand for money or property against the Government under 31 U.S.C. 3702, 10 U.S.C. 2575, 10 U.S.C. 2771, 24 U.S.C. 420, 10 U.S.C. 4712, 10 U.S.C. 9712, 37 U.S.C. 554, or 32 U.S.C. 714
- (b) Where to Submit a Claim. A claimant must submit a claim to the Component concerned in accordance with guidance provided by that Component. A claim that is submitted somewhere other than to the Component concerned does not stop the running of the time limit in paragraph (f) of this Appendix. It is the claimant's responsibility to submit a claim properly.
- submit a claim properly.

  (c) Format of a Claim. A claimant must submit a claim in the format prescribed by the Component concerned. It must be written and be signed by the claimant (in the case of a claim on behalf of a minor or incompetent person, there are additional requirements explained at paragraph (e) of this Appendix) or by the claimant's authorized agent or attorney (there are additional requirements explained at paragraph (d) of this Appendix). In addition, it should:

sonnel Management performs these functions for claims involving civilian employees' compensation and leave; and the Administrator of General Services performs these functions for claims involving civilian employees' travel, transportation, and relocation expenses.

<sup>2</sup>Claims under this statute are actually settled under the authority in 31 U.S.C. 3702 because there is no specific settlement authority in the statute.

<sup>3</sup>Claims under this statute are actually settled under the authority in 31 U.S.C. 3702 because there is no specific settlement authority in the statute.